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SUBJECT: JOINT COMMUNIQUE ON SECRETARY'S VISIT TO
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THE FOLLOWING COMMUNIQUE ON THE SECRETARY'S VISIT TO
MOSCOW WILL BE RELEASED SIMULTANEOUSLY AT 12 NOON
WASHINGTON TIME (7 PM MOSCOW TIME) MARCH 28.

1. BEGIN TEXT: IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PREVIOUSLY
REACHED UNDERSTANDING, HENRY A. KISSINGER, SECRETARY OF
STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND ASSISTANT TO THE PRESI-
DENT FOR NATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS, VISITED MOSCOW FROM
24 TO 28 MARCH. HE HAD DISCUSSIONS WITH LEONID I.
BREZHNEV, GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF
THE CPSU, AND ANDREI A. GROMYKO, MEMBER OF THE POLITBURO
OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE CPSU, MINISTER OF
FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE USSR.

2. TAKING PART IN THE DISCUSSIONS ON THE SOVIET SIDE
WERE: THE AMBASSADOR OF THE USSR IN THE USA A. F.
DOBRYNIN, ASSISTANT TO THE GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE
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CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF THE SOVIET

UNION, A. M. ALEXANDROV, MEMBERS OF THE COLLEGIUM OF THE
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE USSR G. M. KORNIYENKO
AND M. D. SYTENKO. ON THE AMERICAN SIDE: THE
AMBASSADOR OF THE USA TO THE USSR, WALTER J. STOESSEL,
JR., OFFICIALS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, HELMUT
SONNENFELDT, ARTHUR A. HARTMAN, ALFRED L. ATHERTON,
CARLYLE E. MAW, WILLIAM G. HYLAND, AND JAN M. LODAL OF
THE STAFF OF THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL.

3. AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS WAS HELD ON A BROAD RANGE OF
QUESTIONS OF MUTUAL INTEREST IN CONNECTION WITH THE
PREPARATION FOR THE VISIT TO THE SOVIET UNION OF THE
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, RICHARD M. NIXON.

4. THE SIDES NOTED WITH SATISFACTION THAT THE COURSE
TAKEN BY THE TWO COUNTRIES TOWARD A RELAXATION OF TEN-
SION AND A MAJOR IMPROVEMENT OF RELATIONS BETWEEN THEM
CONTINUES TO BE IMPLEMENTED SUCCESSFULLY AND BRINGS
TANGIBLE RESULTS. THE EXCEPTIONAL IMPORTANCE OF THE
FUNDAMENTAL DECISIONS ADOPTED AT THE TWO PREVIOUS
SOVIET-AMERICAN SUMMIT MEETINGS, FIRST OF ALL THE
BASIC PRINCIPLES OF RELATIONS BETWEEN THE USSR AND THE
US, THE AGREEMENT ON THE PREVENTION OF NUCLEAR WAR,
AND THE AGREEMENTS ON THE LIMITATION OF STRATEGIC ARMS,
HAS BEEN CONVINCINGLY DEMONSTRATED.

5. THE SIDES ARE DETERMINED TO PURSUE, ON THE BASIS
OF STRICT OBSERVANCE OF THE OBLIGATIONS THEY HAVE
ASSUMED, THE ESTABLISHED POLICY AIMED AT MAKING THE
PROCESS OF IMPROVING SOVIET-AMERICAN RELATIONS

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6. IN THE COURSE OF THE DISCUSSIONS, CONSIDERABLE ATTENTION WAS GIVEN TO THE PROBLEM OF THE FURTHER LIMITATION OF STRATEGIC ARMS. THE SIDES AGREE THAT, DESPITE THE COMPLEXITY OF THIS PROBLEM, THERE ARE POSSIBILITIES FOR REACHING MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE SOLUTIONS. THEY ARE DETERMINED TO CONTINUE TO MAKE ENERGETIC EFFORTS TO FIND SUCH SOLUTIONS. CERTAIN OTHER QUESTIONS RELATIVE TO THE AREA OF ARMS LIMITATION AND DISARMAMENT WERE ALSO CONSIDERED.

7. NOTING THE FAVORABLE DEVELOPMENT OF BILATERAL RELATIONS IN A NUMBER OF DIRECTIONS DETERMINED BY THE AGREEMENTS SIGNED BY THE USSR AND THE USA, THE TWO SIDES INTEND TO DEVELOP FURTHER MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL TIES AND BUSINESSLIKE COOPERATION IN DIFFERENT AREAS, INCLUDING TRADE, ECONOMIC AND SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL AREAS ON A LONG-TERM BASIS.

8. IN DISCUSSING INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS, PARTICULAR ATTENTION WAS PAID TO THE STATE OF AFFAIRS REGARDING A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT IN THE MIDDLE EAST. IT WAS AGREED THAT, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THEIR SPECIAL ROLE AT THE GENEVA PEACE CONFERENCE ON THE MIDDLE EAST, THE SIDES WOULD MAKE EFFORTS TO PROMOTE THE SOLUTION OF THE KEY
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QUESTIONS OF THE MIDDLE EAST SETTLEMENT.

9. THE QUESTIONS PERTAINING TO SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE WERE ALSO EXAMINED, FIRST OF ALL THE PROGRESS OF THE CONFERENCE ON SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE AND THE STATE OF THE TALKS ON THE REDUCTION OF ARMED FORCES AND ARMAMENTS IN CENTRAL EUROPE.

10. THE EXCHANGE OF VIEWS WAS HELD IN A CONSTRUCTIVE AND BUSINESSLIKE ATMOSPHERE. THE SIDES ARE CONVINCED THAT IT HAS BEEN AN IMPORTANT STAGE IN THE PREPARATION FOR THE SUCCESSFUL HOLDING OF THE FORTHCOMING SOVIET-AMERICAN SUMMIT MEETING AND FOR SOVIET-AMERICAN RELATIONS IN GENERAL. END TEXT.

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